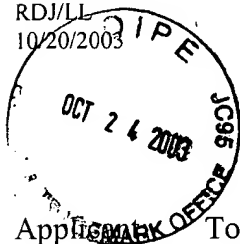


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NOTICE OF APPEAL FROM THE PRIMARY EXAMINER
TO THE BOARD OF APPEALS

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Sir:

Applicant hereby appeals to the Board of Appeals from the decision dated May 20, 2003 of the Primary Examiner finally rejecting claims 1-18 and 20-136. The item(s) checked below are appropriate:

1. ☒ Applicant hereby petitions to extend the time for filing a Notice of Appeal in response to the Office Action Made Final dated May 20, 2003 for two months from August 20, 2003 to October 20, 2003.
2. ☐ A month extension of time to respond to the Office Action Made Final dated was filed on with payment of a \$ fee.
☐ Applicant hereby petitions for an additional month extension of time to respond to the Office Action Made Final.
3. ☐ A Request for Oral Hearing before the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences is being filed concurrently herewith.

4. Fees are submitted for the following:

☒ Extension of Time for two months \$ 420

☐ Additional Extension of Time:

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☐ Other _____ \$ _____

TOTAL \$ 750

5. The method of payment for the total fees is as follows:


☒ A check in the amount of \$750 is enclosed.

☐ Please charge Deposit Account No. 08-0380 in the amount of \$[] .

Please charge any deficiency or credit any overpayment in the fees that may be due in this matter to Deposit Account No. 08-0380. A copy of this document is enclosed for accounting purposes.

Respectfully submitted,

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